

Grace Church exists to
glorify and enjoy God
by worshiping Him,
shepherding His people,
and advancing His kingdom,
in obedience to His Holy
Scriptures.



Grace Church of the Islands

Presbyterian Church in America

Sunday Worship
Services
10:00-11:00 am

Sunday School
11:15-12:00 noon

Evening Worship
6:00-7:00 pm

*Let them give glory to the Lord,
and declare His praise in the Islands.
Isaiah 42:12*

March 7, 2010 10:00 AM
The Celebration of Public Worship and Holy Communion
on The Third Sunday in Lent

Announcements

Pastor Brannon Bowman

Prelude

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

Call to Worship

Revelation 5:6a, 7-9

"Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing in the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders....He came and took the scroll from the right hand of him who sat on the throne. And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song: 'You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.' "

Prayer for God's Presence*

Hymn and Songs of Praise**

No. 173

"Praise Him! Praise Him!"

JOYFUL SONG

"There Is a Redeemer"

GREEN

There is a Redeemer, Jesus God's own Son,
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

*Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son,
And leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Hope for sinners slain. *(chorus)*

When I stand in Glory, I will see His face;
There I'll serve my King forever in that Holy place. *(chorus)*

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**Congregation is Standing*

***Latecomers May be Admitted*

Old Testament Scripture Lesson

NEHEMIAH 13:15-31

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

(page 483 in pew Bible)

People: Thanks be to God.

Curtis McDaniel, Asst. Pastor

Tithes and Offerings/Passing of the Friendship Register*Offertory— Meditation on "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"***Gloria Patri***

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen, amen.

Morning Prayer**Scripture Lesson****Luke 22:63-65**

(page 1023 in pew Bible)

Sermon*"When the World Does Its Worst"***Hymn of Worship***

No. 247

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

PASSION CHORALE

Silent Prayers of Confession

Lord God, I confess my failure to be true even to my own accepted standards, my unwillingness to apply to myself the standard of conduct I demand of others, my complacency towards wrongs that do not touch my life, my slowness to see the good in others and sin in myself, my hardness of heart toward the faults of my neighbors and my readiness to make allowances for my own. O Lord, please forgive and grant me your pardon through Christ Jesus, my Savior and Lord. Amen.

Confession of Sin

O Lord God, eternal and almighty Father. We confess and acknowledge sincerely before Your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in iniquity and corruption, prone to do evil, incapable of any good, and that in our depravity we transgress Your holy commandments without end or ceasing. In this, we purchase for ourselves, through Your righteous judgment, our ruin and condemnation. O Lord, we are grieved that we have offended You. We condemn our sins with true repentance, pleading Your grace to relieve our distress. O God and Father most gracious and full of compassion, have mercy upon us in the name of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. And as You blot out our sins and stains, magnify and increase in us day by day the grace of Your Holy Spirit; that as we acknowledge our unrighteousness with all our heart, we may be moved by that sorrow which shall bring true repentance in us, putting to death all our sins and producing in us the fruits of righteousness and innocence which are well-pleasing in Your sight. This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Assurance of our Forgiveness in Christ

“He prayed to the LORD, ‘O LORD, is this not what I said when I was still at home? That is why I was so quick to flee to Tarshish. I knew that you are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in love, a God who relents from sending calamity.’” – Jonah 4:2

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

(Take individually. The outer ring of each tray is grape juice; the remaining inner cups are wine.)

Benediction*

Recessional*

(Sung by all)

"This Is My Father's World"

TERRA BEATA

This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: the battle is not done;
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heav'n be one.

Sermon Notes:

"When the World Does Its Worst"
Luke 22:63-65

- I. The Assault on the _____
- II. The Assault on the _____
- III. The Assault on _____

Taking It Home:

- Conduct such as is done by (or at the behest of) the Sanhedrin, shows how desperately wicked human nature is. Their malice is savage and their delight in it is utterly unholy. In their treatment of their "prisoner", they violate every rule of their assembly and seek only their selfish ends. Those who love the world will employ all means to keep the world and all they desire in it.
 - Note the Lord's silent endurance. We need only consider the power of our Lord to see the restraint and willing submission to the Father's will for our sake. His heart was set on the great work he had come on earth to do. He had undertaken to purchase our redemption by His own humiliation, and He did not flinch from paying the price in full. He had undertaken to drink the bitter cup of suffering to save us, and "for the joy set before Him He despised the shame," and drank the cup to the very dregs. (Hebrews 12:2).
 - At the same time, we see both the extraordinary love of God for us and the heavenly pattern for our life in this world. When the world does its worst to us, we ought to forbear in the strength of our Lord who is with us always. When insulted, let us bless. When reviled, let us love. When assaulted, let us minister in mercy. He left us an example that we should walk in His steps. Let us go and do likewise. (1 Peter 2:19-25).
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Announcements

Visiting Grace? If you are visiting with us this morning you are our honored guest! Please stop by our table in the narthex after the worship service to receive a "Welcome to Grace!" gift. One of our greeters will be there to answer any questions that you may have. Thanks for worshipping with us.

*Contributions to the Haiti Relief Effort can be made payable to
Grace Church of the Islands (designate "Haiti Relief").*

100% will be sent to the local relief work (orphanage, clinic, school, church) in Messailler.

Grace Church as of Feb. 21, 2010 has received \$15,411.06 for Haiti Relief

- ☞ Please join us for **Sunday School** following morning worship. See map on the wall in the narthex by the name tags for available classes and room numbers.
 - ☞ Join us for **Shepherding Groups** this evening from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Bring your favorite finger food for our "Covered Dish Dinner" following the Shepherding Groups. To ensure we have food for everyone, please double your recipes or bring enough for your family plus 2 more.
 - ☞ **Pastor's Prayer Time**— Tuesday mornings from 7am-8am. Come for part or all of this time as we join in this mighty intercession before God's throne of grace.
 - ☞ The **Ladies Bible Study** meets on Thursday mornings from 10am-12noon. The class is led by Julie Veciana and the study is on Genesis, focusing on the character of Joseph. Nursery is provided.
 - ☞ **Bible Study Fellowship (BSF)** is meeting at Grace Church on Monday nights from 6:55-8:45pm and would like to invite all women to join them. The study is on the book of John. If you have any questions, please call Leigh Gardener at 232-4683.
 - ☞ **Missions Team Meeting**— The missions team along with all past, present, and future members of short-term missions teams, will be meeting Monday evening, March 8th, at 7:00 PM in the home of Brannon and Carol Bowman. We will be discussing future short-term missions trips, local evangelism and outreach, and partnerships with area churches and ministries.
 - ☞ *We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to Creed Taylor. His mother Mrs. Evelyn Clegg Taylor passed away on Saturday, February 27, 2010. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this time of sorrow.*
 - ☞ *Also, we would like to extend our deepest sympathy to Julie Veciana. Her father Mr. Vincent T. Morehouse passed away on March 3, 2010 in Franklin, Tennessee. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this time of sorrow.*
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Youth Ministry

High Life: High School & Middle School
Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 pm

Men's Prayer Meeting

1st Sunday of the month, 8:10 a.m.

Women In the Church (WIC)

(see announcements for location)



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